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Application of: Alvarez et al.

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TO GASTRO-INTESTINAL TRACT (GIT) TRANSPORT RECEPTORS AND RELATED METHODS

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Examiner: Avis M. Davenport

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated November 3, 1999, be extended for a period of <u>five</u> months from <u>December 3, 1999</u> to and including <u>May 3, 2000</u>.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$1,850.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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